



Montserrat Volcano Observatory

Sunday May 10, 2026

Statement on the felt volcano-tectonic earthquake Saturday, May 9, 2026

The Montserrat Volcano Observatory would like to inform the public that a local volcano-tectonic earthquake occurred yesterday evening at 9h02pm. The earthquake was felt in some areas of the island.

This volcano-tectonic earthquake was an isolated event with a preliminary magnitude of 2.7, which will likely be revised over the next few hours as data continue to be analysed

Although the earthquake was felt, this level of activity remains within the normal range for the Soufrière Hills Volcano. It does serve as a reminder that the volcano remains active and that occasional volcanic earthquakes occur, though they are not usually felt.

There is currently no change in the volcanic hazard level. The MVO continues to closely monitor the volcano and will provide updates as necessary

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